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Dear David:

Thank you for your letter of June 18. Let me try to give you a quick response.

It is our understanding that, despite what Mr. Corso says on p. 87 of his book, that during the entire 1964 year he was employed by Senator Thurmond. If our understanding is correct, then he was not working for Senator Russell and, *a fortiori*, he was not working for Senator Russell on Warren Commission matters. We are pursuing another possibility in this regard, and I would be appreciative if you have any additional confirmation of the accuracy of Mr. Corso's statements regarding his Warren Commission work.

We have taken action with regard to the Richard Russell papers. It is our understanding that his Warren Commission papers are, for all practical purposes, open in full. We have made separate arrangements to review those of Senator Russell's papers that are not open in full.

We have contacted President Ford, who has been very cooperative. The vast majority of his papers related to the Warren Commission are, of course, in his presidential library and they are being processed under the JFK Act. I have spoken to President Ford about additional records that he might have and he has been forthcoming. We are in communication with his office and I have every reason to believe that there will be a positive outcome from our efforts.

Thanks for your continuing interest.

Sincerely,

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